

City of Renton - Board of Park Commissioners

Meeting Minutes

January 19, 2016

4:30 p.m. Renton City Hall – Conference Room #726

1. CALL TO ORDER

In Attendance:

Members: Troy Wigestrاند, Cynthia Burns, Al Dieckman, Mike O'Donin, Avni Mungra, Larry Reymann, Tim Searing,

City Staff: Terry Higashiyama, Kelly Beymer, Kris Stimpson, Leslie Betlach, Roberta Graver

Guests: none

Chair, Troy Wigestrاند, called the meeting to order at 4:36 p.m. Roll call was taken; Larry Reymann was noted to be arriving after start of meeting and Marlene Winter was not present. Cynthia Burns motioned to excuse the absent board members; Mike O'Donin seconded. All were in favor; motion carried; the absence was excused.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Cynthia Burns made a motion, seconded by Mike O'Donin to approve the agenda as presented. All were in favor; motion carried; the agenda was approved.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mike O'Donin made a motion, seconded by Cynthia Burns to approve the November 10, 2015 minutes as written. All were in favor; motion carried; the minutes were approved as submitted.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS / PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

5. BOARD COMMUNICATION

City Center Plan—Mike O'Donin stated the last meeting was December 3, 2015. Discussion included possible designs, recommendations, and implementation of parklets in downtown Renton.

Cedar River Stakeholders—Mike O'Donin and Larry Reymann. Leslie Betlach stated that Larry received the final document in November and he recommends to move this discussion till February board meeting.

Student Report—Avni Mungra shared that she's participated in two speech debates, is very busy with school classwork and activities, and waiting to hear if she's been selected for the Boeing Museum of Flight internship. Troy asked if volunteering is common among high school students. She said they have a mandatory 40 hours of volunteering for graduation, and that there are many opportunities through the school to attain that and even more.

6. CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

New City Councilmember Carol Ann Witschi is now the chair of the Community Services

Committee. Community Services administrative staff is meeting with her next week to review her goals, which will be relayed to this board in the next board meeting. Arrangements will be made for her to attend an upcoming board meeting as well.

7. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

Board brainstormed potential meeting topics/tours for 2016:

Discussion	Presentation	Tours
Accreditation	All Trail Connections	Black River Riparian Forest
Broodstock Collection Facility	Boards & Commissions Training	Boeing Plant
City Plans Update	Citywide Survey Results	Highlands Library (meeting site)
	Eastside Rail Corridor	Howard Hanson Dam
Facilities	Economic Development-Outlook for City	Kenyon-Dobson Property
Golf Course	Rails to Trail Connection	Meadowcrest (Highlands Neighborhood Center for meeting site)
Homelessness	Senior Population / Programs	Springbrook Trail Connections
Quality of Life Levy	Special Populations	
Recreational Programing Trends	Tree info/Forestry Program	
Cedar River Dredging	Vandalism / Crime	
Future Dog Parks		
Legislative Platform		
Open Space Property (Cleveland, Edlund, etc)		

8. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Kelly described the two handouts, "Community Services Hiring Matrix" and "Community Services Organizational Chart" which describes the current employee transitions due to retirements and a review the staff structure of the overall department. 2016 is budget year, and the process will be starting soon. There was discussion around how the new B&O tax impacts Community Services directly and indirectly

9. PROJECT UPDATES

Leslie provided updates on the Riverview Bridge and the delay for the grand opening (tentatively April/May 2016); the paving project at Gene Coulon Park is finished; closing on the adjacent Cascade Park property acquisition; working on more property acquisitions, getting a design consultant for the Sunset Park redesign, and working on more grant applications. Leslie

also invited the board to the Kenyon-Dobson Open House meeting on February 4th, 6:30pm at the Highland Neighborhood Center.

10. COORDRESPONDENCE

The quarterly Park Board Status Report was distributed and Kris Stimpson shared details about upcoming recreation events and various training.

11. INFORMATION

Jan. 29th at RCC. *"A Superhero Lunch"*

Feb. 11th 6:30 at Carco Theatre. *"Bag it"*, Eco Film Series presented by Renton Meaningful Movies and Sustainable Renton.

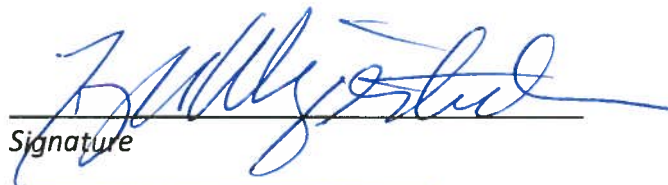
Part Time Job Fair, March 1st at the Renton Community Center

Six Community Services staff attended Washington Parks and Recreation Risk Management School on January 27 & 28.

15 City staff attended the Red Cross Shelter Operations Training on January 21st.

12. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mike O'Donin and seconded by Larry Reymann to adjourn the January 2016 meeting at 6:10 p.m. All were in favor, motion carried, meeting adjourned.


Signature

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: February 9th, 2016, City Hall Conference Room 720